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MEMORANDUM

TO: Property Owners, Permittees and Property Managers of Vacation Home/Short-term Rentals

FROM: Tom Dallaire, Director Douglas County Community Development

DATE: December 24, 2020 RE: Vacation Home / Short-term Rental guidance update regarding COVID-19

We would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a Happy Holiday and New Year. As the number of COVID cases continue to rise, we need to remind our community; the health resources in Douglas County are limited and may not be adequate to handle an outbreak of COVID-19.

The Governor of Nevada has pleaded with Nevadans to "Stay Home for Nevada." Consistent with directives issued by the Governor and the guidance issued by the CDC, Douglas County is urging travelers and you, as a short-term rental owner/manager, to take this threat to our community seriously. On November 25, Nevada Governor Sisolak issued Directive 035 (Revised) SECTION 9: Effective 12:01 a.m. on November 24, unless otherwise provided by other Sections of this Directive, private residential gatherings are restricted to 10 or fewer persons from no more than 2 households, whether indoors or outdoors. This provision shall not be construed to apply to the gathering of persons living within the same household.

Individuals not exempted by Directive 024 or guidance issued by the Nevada Health Response shall be required to cover their nose and mouth with a mask or face covering when attending private residential gatherings with people outside o[their household, even when social distancing is being observed.

Please be considerate of those who live in the neighborhood of your rental and those who are serving the public during this crisis in our country. Please remind visitors if they are traveling in Nevada and are experiencing symptoms (fever, cough, shortness of breath):

- 1. Continue to stay in your designated quarantine location, avoid contact with others, and contact a healthcare provider for further instructions on treatment or testing.
- 2. If you are older or have any medical conditions (e.g., immune compromise, diabetes, asthma), consult your regular healthcare provider.
- 3. If you feel you need medical care, call ahead before you go in and inform them of your travel history.
- 4. If you need urgent medical care (e.g., have difficulty breathing), call 9-1-1 and let the dispatcher know your travel history).

The immediate containment of the spread of COVID-19 is vital to protect the health and welfare of Douglas County residents and all residents of the State of Nevada. Please abide by Governor Sisolak's guidance so we can all survive this COVID0-19 crisis. For more information regarding the State's response to COVID-19, visit: www.nvhealthresponse.nv.gov. Thank you for your cooperation.

Tom Dallaire, Director Douglas County Community Development